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Hi Jay and Karl-

I am reaching out to you to gauge your availability in providing support to the EPA team on the Pebble Mine project (Alaska). The US Army Corps of Engineers recently received a CWA 404 permit application for the project and is starting the NEPA process, which will include preparation of an EIS. I am currently the Project Manager for coordinating our cross-program work and the point-of-contact.

According to the 404 application Project Description, the Project will require a Title V permit. The project includes a 230 MW power plant, as well as the mine site itself, access roads, and a port site. The company (Pebble Limited Partnership) has indicated that it will file its air permit application and other state permit applications later this year.

Support will be needed during the EIS process to review the air baseline data, emissions estimates and impacts. In addition, I understand that we have a role on oversight of the State air permit.

The EIS will be scoped within the next few months. The entire EIS/permitting process will take a few years. The Corps is working on a schedule, so exact time frames are fluid.

Currently I am working with EPA staff and managers to put together our team. I am hoping that you are available to support given your experience on other mining projects.

Please let me know if you have questions.

Thanks-

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